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ST JOSEPH'S (Est 1835), Cnr King St & New England Hwy, East Maitland Vigil 5.00pm; Sunday 8.30am Youth Mass 6.00pm

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (Est 1841) Maitland

SACRED HEART, New England Hwy, Campbell's Hill - Vigil 6.30pm. HOLY FAMILY, 11 John St, Largs Sunday 8.20am.

ST COLUMBA'S, Cnr Prince & Church Sts, Paterson - **Sunday 9.30am**

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Est 1871) Cnr George & James Sts, Morpeth Sunday 7.15am.

ST PATRICK'S (Est 1905), 55 New England Hwy, Lochinvar-Sunday 9.30am.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES (Est 1947), Cnr Anderson Dr & Delprat Ave, Beresfield **Vigil 6.00pm.**

ST PAUL'S (Est 1961), 10 Young St, Rutherford - **Sunday 8.00am.**

Ministers

All baptised members of the community

Ministry Team

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We are in the country of the Worimi, Gamilleroi, Wonnarua, Gweagul, Darkinjung, Biripi and Awabakal peoples. We respectfully acknowledge their Elders, celebrate their continuing culture and the living memory of their ancestors.



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday 16th October 2022

Entrance Antiphon

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,

we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Ex 17:8-13

A reading from the book of Exodus

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains: from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. (R.)

May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard. No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel's guard. (R.) The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. (R.)

The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard your soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 3:14 - 4:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or it. unwelcome, insist on Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience - but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 18:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

God will see those who cry to him vindicated. Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily - Fr Graham Fullick Homily Lk 18 1 8 Unjust Judge and Widow 131022

I am 75 per centum through reading the 1,000+ page, 3 volume Prison Journal of his Eminence George Cardinal Pell. Both the Journal and to-day's parable are not so much about the unjust judge (or jury), but the contrast between the evil and indifferent powers of this world versus the all-listening and all-loving God. God is not the unjust judge, but the Steadfast One who always gives us audience, listens to and hears us. The contrast is the reluctant judge versus the eternally eager God who is Justice and Mercy, what it is to be just and merciful. There is a recurrent theme in the Journal of fellow prisoners, even though the vastest majority are justly convicted, still raging in anger, screaming obscenities, kicking their solitary confinement cell doors backwards with their feet like disturbed horses in a horse float and fouling the cells with urine and faeces. The civil judge has to be worn down to the point where he sees the woman will wear him down, assailing him with her requests until he has a metaphorical black eye and he is embarrassed into doing the right thing.

The widow who is like a lamb, totally dependent on the smooth and fair workings of the justice system (of corporal welfare and spiritual mercy) perseveres in prayer and does not lose heart. The analogy of reason from the parable is that she trusts in God still. If the widow was not already God-fearing and enthralled by and alive with God, like Cardinal Pell, she would not have had the Spiritual gifts of knowledge, wisdom and fortitude to persist in asking for Grace. There is virtue in nagging God, in pester power, otherwise like the prisoners who never leave the cells of their sins, they will not have peace. It is the Lord who gives us true peace in this world whilst awaiting the consummation of the world, the eschaton. Asking is the soul of Christian prayer. We cannot ask properly if we do not give up persistent sin. We must be reconciled in sacramental Reconciliation first, otherwise guilt and anger will interfere and block our receipt of Grace in trials which is what prayer is about. Then we can persevere and flourish, free even in solitary confinement, even if we are alone on the earth for God has justified us and our suffering like Jesus in His innocence is redemptive. The Cardinal prayed his Office of the Church, Readings and Psalms (Breviary), Holy Rosary, offered contemplative prayer and *Mass for You at Home* on TV, and watched wholesome religious programmes. He clung to visits with a good Sister prison chaplain for Holy Communion, and family, friends and priests, human angels all—and thousands of letters. Let us make our prayers regular, simple, fervent and trusting in faith. The soul needs prayer as the lungs need air to breathe. God consoles and answers the humble, contrite heart.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (all bow) born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYERS

Celebrant: In the Gospel Jesus encourages us to pray, God listens to our prayers. With confidence let us pray to our God for the needs of our world.

For Pope Francis, Bishops, Priests, Deacons: may they continue to proclaim the message, and call all to hear the words of Jesus who died for our sins. . . We claim. . . Lord hear our prayer.

For the leaders of all Nations; that they will listen to the poor and marginalised and give them the care they need. We claim. . . Lord hear our prayer.

- We ask the Holy Spirit to inspire the choice of our new Bishop, to say 'Yes' to God. Who will guide our Diocese with the love and compassion of a good shepherd. . . We claim. . . Lord hear our prayer.
- For all those who believe in God, may they open their hearts and minds and pray constantly for justice to be done on earth and never lose heart. . . We claim. . . Lord hear our prayer.
- For our young people who are facing their final School exams during this time. May the Holy Spirit give them the wisdom and courage to do their best at this time in their life. . . We claim. . . Lord hear our prayer.
- Hear our prayers, O Lord, for those who are not well and cannot attend Eucharist with us. Give them health of mind and body that they may do Your will, with perfect love. . . We claim. . . Lord hear our prayer.
- For our family and friends who have returned to You Almighty God especially Susan Cordwell, Michael Collins, Wayne Francis Bridge, Jan Jennings, Jean Pratt, Shane Anthony Mortley, Patricia Robinson, John Robinson and Tom Roskell. May they now find the peace and the joy of their beliefs. . .We claim. . . Lord hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Father of our Lord Jesus, through Your saving power you have filled us with graces. Give us voices to sing your praises throughout our lives and the world. We make our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. AMEN.

Communion Antiphon Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

We pray those who have died this week

Wayne Francis Bridge (Pancho), Susan Cordwell, Michael Collins, Jan Jennings, Jean Pratt, Shane Anthony Mortley (Mort), Patricia and John Robinson, Tom Roskell

We remember those whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Garry Michael Brennan, Jack Bourke, Br Edward Collins, Louise Considine, Joan Jordan, Daniel McCarthy (Jnr), John Nancarrow, Trevor Wilson

We pray for those who are sick at this time

Angeles Adapon, Dalisay Almanza, Teresa Almanza, Arabella Rae Arroyo, Joseph Austin, Cynthia Appleton, Lorraine Bartlett, Brian & Esme Bisson, Judy Mary Carmody, Olga Charlton, Robyn Chesworth, Juliet Cranny, Marion & Luke Crotty, Nickolee Dennis, Nicholas Dilley, Yvonne Mary Fielding, Pam French, Melinda Grainger, Vince Gurr, Anne & Peter Hardy, Leanne Hardy, Julie Hartigan, Ethan Joseph, Karen Kenyon, Krystyna Kulzcznski, Fr Anthony Lemon (Murwillumbah), Michael Lockyer, Sharon Martin, Victoria Micallef, Kevin Moloney, Jane Winsor O'Keefe, Daphne Parfait, Lisa Peattie, Jen Phillips, Ella Rusak, Olga Rusak, Amelia Verdera Satana, Margaret Sipple, Steven Small, Anne Standing, Carol Su'a, Vivian Tee, Bill Temperley, Andrew Veitch, Robert Wild, Jo Winkler, Phillip Wilson

We pray for those children who will be Baptised this weekend

Tyler James Fontana, Eliana Minnie Krempin, Rosie Eve Lindner, Noah Scott Wells, Harper Faith Wickens

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility if you have any concerns for a child or vulnerable adult please contact the Office of Safeguarding: P 4979 1390

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CHISHOLM REGIONAL LITURGY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR HOLY SOULS

November is the month dedicated to prayer and remembrance for all who have

died. A regional liturgy of the word will be celebrated at 6pm St Joseph's Church, East Maitland on Wednesday 2nd November

As is our tradition at this liturgy, we will have a special ritual for all those whose funeral took place in the Chisholm Pastoral Region between October 2021 and September 2022. There will also be an opportunity for everyone to place a memorial card in honour of their loved ones whose funerals took place in another parish, either in the past year or some time ago. The 'book of remembrance' will be available after the liturgy to record the names of deceased loved ones. The ministry team warmly encourages everyone to come to support our grieving community. In so doing those who mourn will experience the living sign of the comforting, compassionate Christ among them.

FORMATION OPPORTUNITY

Brisbane Archdiocese is offering online courses for both Readers and Communion Ministers. Each one contains an introduction to liturgy and the Mass as well as specific training for each ministry. The cost is \$18 per course or \$25 for both. Short engaging videos are used and there are downloadable notes. The course requires 3 hours and you get a certificate upon completion.

This is strongly recommended for all those in these ministries, those who would consider joining them and everyone. To find out more, follow this link https://liturgy-brisbane-learn-discover.learnworlds.com/courses



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGE AUSTRALIA-NEW SOUTH WALES Inc. DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE. **Annual Thanksgiving Mass and Luncheon** Friday, 18th November 2022 Mass, 11.30am at

St Paul's Church Rutherford . Followed by Lunch at Telarah Bowling Club at 1.00pm. For further information contact: -Margo Nancarrow 0418 657 989 or bjmnan4@bigpond.com or cwlamn214@bigpond.com

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

WEEKDAY MASS ROSTER

Monday 17th October (St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr)

Tues 18th October (St Luke, evangelist) 5.30pm Mass, St Joseph's East Maitland

Wed 19th October (Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, priests, and Companions, martyrs, St Paul of the Cross, priest)
7.00pm Mass, Holy Family, Largs

Thurs 20th October

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 21st October

7.00am Mass, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sat 22nd October (St John Paul II, Pope)

8.00am Mass/Reconciliation, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Sun 16th October

9.00am Mass—Polish, St Mary's Chapel (Victoria St Maitland)

October - The Month of the Rosary Special Rosary to Our Lady

Campbell's Hill - Saturdays 6pm before Vigil Mass

Largs - Wednesdays 6.40pm before Mass

East Maitland - Saturdays 8.30am after Mass &

4.30pm before Mass

Sundays 8am & 5.30pm before Mass

Tuesdays 5pm before Mass

Thursdays & Fridays 6.30am before Mass

Morpeth –Parishioners have selected a day to pray the rosary in their homes with their families or in a group.

Rutherford –A statue of Mary will be placed in the church. There will be a prayer intention box and parishioners are encouraged to bring fresh flowers to place before the statue.

KEY AUDIT: Over time it is required for us to conduct a review of our key listing to ensure that it is up to date.

- If you have a key to any of the church buildings or halls please check the listing. You will find this listing on the **church notice board.** Please check the info and tick if it is correct or make notes where provided.
- If there is someone on this list that may have moved away from the parish please indicate this on the list
- If you hold a key and don't use it any longer please return the key. As each key has been allocated to you personally it is asked that you come into the office to drop it off and not pass it onto someone from the parish. If this isn't possible please give us a call and we can work out an alternative arrangement.



PET BLESSING

4.30pm TUESDAY - 25th October St Joseph's Church East Maitland grounds

Bring along your pets for a blessing. Please ensure all pets are leached or caged to ensure we can keep everyone safe.



PIETY STALL WILL OPEN AT ALL MASSS THIS WEEKEND AT ST JOSEPH'S EAST MAITLAND CHURCH **NEW STOCK AVAILABLE**

Contact: Marion 0412811759

PRIVATE PRAYER / ADORATION

Mon 17th October

9.30am-noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

12 Midday-1 pm Eucharistic Adoration St Joseph's, East Maitland

Tues 18th October

9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Wed 19th October 9.30-10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

<u>Thurs 20th October</u> **9.30-10.30am** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St Joseph's, East Maitland

Fri 21st October

7.30am Adoration, St Joseph's, East Maitland 9.30am Prayer of the Church, OLOL, Beresfield

St John's Chapel Maitland: is closed until further notice Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream